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It’s difficult to describe in a few sentences how important the Congregational Library and Archives has been for my research. As someone studying the effect of new diseases on small communities, its holdings offer a wealth of data and insight. I have enthusiastically encouraged my colleagues in the Departments of History and Biology at the University of Notre Dame to utilize this exceptional archive, both online and in person. And, in the meantime, I look forward to my next trip to Beacon Street!

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